

In re Appln. of Van Damme, et. al.  
Attorney Docket No. 234919

### REMARKS

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependency, to further sharpen the claim language, or to remove obvious typographical errors. New claims 59-60 correspond to original claims 16 and 18 but are now in a method format. No new matter has been added.

A favorable decision is solicited. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



Xavier Pillai, Reg. No. 39,799  
LEYDIG, VOIT & MAYER, LTD.  
Two Prudential Plaza, Suite 4900  
180 North Stetson Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60601-6780  
(312) 616-5600 (telephone)  
(312) 616-5700 (facsimile)

Date: April 14, 2005

Amendment - Preliminary (Revised 11-23-04)